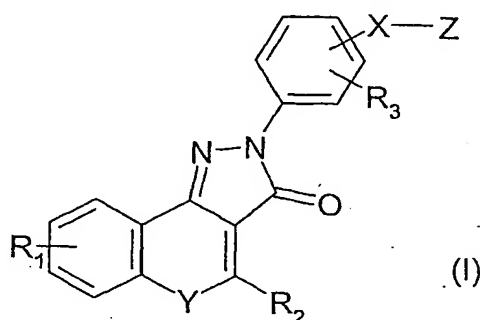


CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula (I) or a pharmaceutically or veterinarily acceptable salt thereof:

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wherein

15 Z represents a carboxylic acid group (-COOH) or an ester thereof;

R₁ and R₃ independently represent H; F; Cl; Br; -NO₂; -CN; C₁-C₆ alkyl optionally substituted by F or Cl; or C₁-C₆ alkoxy optionally substituted by F;

20 R₂ represents optionally substituted C₃-C₇ cycloalkyl or optionally substituted phenyl;

Y represents -O-, -S-, N-oxide, or -N(R₅)- wherein R₅ represents H or C₁-C₆ alkyl;

25 X represents a bond or a group selected from; a divalent C₁-C₆ alkylene radical, NHC(O) C₁₋₅ alkyl or NHC(O) CH₂-O-CH₂

2. A compound as claimed in claim 1 wherein X is a bond or a -CH₂- or -CH₂CH₂- radical.

3. A compound as claimed in claim 1 or claim 2 wherein Z is -COOH.

30 4. A compound as claimed in any of the preceding claims wherein R₁ is H, F, Cl, methyl, methoxy, or methylenedioxy.

35 5. A compound as claimed in any of the preceding claims wherein R₂ is cyclopropyl, phenyl, or fluoro-, chloro-, methyl, methoxy-, nitro-, or amino- substituted phenyl

6. A compound as claimed in any of the preceding claims wherein R_3 is H, F, Cl, methyl, methoxy, or methylenedioxy.

7. A compound as claimed in any of the preceding
5 claims wherein Y is $-N(R_5)-$ wherein R_5 represents H or methyl.

8. A compound as claimed in any of claims 1 to 7 for use in the treatment of conditions which benefit from immunomodulation.

10 9. The use of a compound as claimed in any of claims 1 to 7 in the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of conditions which benefit from immunomodulation.

10. A method of immunomodulation in mammals, including humans, comprising administration to a mammal in
15 need of such treatment an immunomodulatory effective dose of a compound as claimed in any of claims 1 to 9.

11. A pharmaceutical or veterinary composition comprising a compound as claimed in any of claims 1 to 9 together with a pharmaceutically or veterinarily acceptable
20 excipient or carrier.